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TRIANGLE MODERNIST HOUSES

News this Week:

- A celebration of the life of Chapel Hill architect Don Stewart will be held on September 29, 4-7pm, at the clubhouse on Pine Cone Drive, in the Five Oaks area of Durham.
- From Architects+Artisans: Corbu's furniture.
- Coming soon on the TMH Vimeo channel: an interview with California's Harry Wolf, formerly of Charlotte, the most award-winning architect ever to come from North Carolina.
- Mark Zuckerberg has hired Frank Gehry to design the new Facebook HQ. It will be the largest open floor plan in the world, including one 420,000sf room for coding.
- VMZINC recently produced a new video interview with Frank Harmon.
- IKEA plans to open up a hotel chain in Europe.
- Congratulations to Randall Mayes, a 2012 recipient of TMH's Macon Smith Research Grant for work on Charlotte's A. G. Odell and J. N. Pease.

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New on the

Market: Updates on North Carolina Modernist houses for sale or rent since last week.



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NOWELL'S

CONTEMPORARY FURNITURE

- After 107 years in business, Nowell's Contemporary Furniture will close its doors by the end of this year. William McKee Nowell, owner Jerry Nowell's grandfather, began the store 1905 by selling furniture out of the back of a horse-drawn cart. He moved it into a storefront in downtown Raleigh. Jerry's mother and father inherited the store and moved it to its current location in Cary in 1957. Nowell's won the "best place to shop for contemporary furniture in the Triangle" year after year from *Spectator* magazine, the *Independent Weekly*, and *Metro Magazine*. In 2010 *Business Leader* magazine named Nowell's one of the top 100 small businesses in the state. Nowell's Contemporary Furniture has also been one of Triangle Modernist Houses' primary sponsors. They sponsor the TMH Movie Series for three years and will generous do so again this year. From now until December, Nowell's is holding an "Everything Must Go" sale. For more information www.nowellsfurniture.com. **Thanks, Jerry, we'll miss Nowell's -- a lot!**



The 1951 David and Gladys Wright House in Phoenix AZ was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright for his son. Earlier this year, the buyer, developers 8081 Meridian Corporation,

promised the house would be preserved. **Now they have backed off that promise.** In July 2012, the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy was awarded a temporary

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Two sinks from a Truman Newberry house: \$200 for both. Contact harris@hwphotos.com or click the [Craigslist ad](#).

demolition delay while the City of Phoenix decides whether to bestow historic preservation and landmark designation upon the house. Such designations would give the house another year. Here's [a quick list of what all of us can do](#) to preserve this unique Wright home, one of the only structures reminiscent of the Guggenheim in New York City.

Upcoming Events:



Friday, September 14, 530-7pm. **Thirst4Architecture (T4A)** at the **NC Museum of Art**. Cash bar, and excellent appetizers for sale from the Iris Restaurant. Free admission. Sponsored by Hanbury Preservation Consulting. The T4A is followed up by a free 7pm NCMA/TMH joint screening of **Concert of Wills: Richard Meier and the Making of the Getty**. If you want two free movie tickets, email with your name and phone number. Only 28 left!

The Preservation Durham/TMH Duke Forest Modernist House Tour September 15, 1-4pm:

Special guests architects **Brian Shawcroft, Bill Waddell, and Audie Condoret Schechter**. Free parking from the JCC on Cornwallis Road: take our free rotating shuttles,

bike, or walk. Discount advance tickets, directions, and details. See the house lineup below!



The Kaufman House, designed by Brian Shawcroft, who will be there.



The Obrist House, designed by Walter Obrist.



The Schanberg House, designed by Jon Condoret. His daughter, architect Audie Condoret Schechter, will be there.



The Huttemeier/Benveniste house, designed by Keith Brown. Bill Waddell, who was involved in its design and construction, will be on hand.



The Knight House, aka the Duke University President's House, designed by [Alden Dow](#).

Discount advance tickets and details. AIA Members can get self-reported continuing education credit with advance notice to the AIA.

The 2012 TalkModern Lecture Series Opens in Raleigh with "A Fistful of Neutras!"



October 4, 7-8pm: Raymond Richard Neutra: Preserving the VDL Studio/Residences. Over the last 35 years, Raymond Richard

Neutra, Richard Neutra's youngest son, travelled the world to connect with his father's buildings, making profound connections to their owners and occupants. Introducing Raymond will be the former Dean of the Cal Poly Pomona College of Environmental Design, our very own NCSU College of Design Dean **Marvin Malecha**.

November 13, 7-8pm: Dion Neutra, AIA - Neutra

Architecture: The View from Inside. Working alongside his father from the age of eleven, Neutra's son Dion forged his own architecture career to carry on the Neutra legacy. You'll get a tour of their prolific breadth of work across the mid-20th century, a unique International Style of modernism from southern California to 20 states and four continents. Advance tickets are \$12.50 per person per program, or \$20 per person

for both. \$15 per program at the door. Both programs are at the AIA North Carolina Center for Architecture and Design, 14 East Peace Street, Raleigh NC. Please arrive between 630pm and 7pm. *AIA Members can get self-reported continuing education credit with advance notice to the AIA.*



On October 6, AIA Triangle will host its 3rd annual juried Residential Architecture Tour. [Tickets available now.](#)



Thursday, October 25, 6-8pm. The season's last **Thirst4Architecture** is at the innovative Brick Garden, a unique outdoor kinetic showcase of brick types at **Triangle Brick** in Durham. Tour their new modern office building by Raleigh architects Pearce Brinkley Cease + Lee. Free refreshments, lots of door prizes, [details here](#).

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